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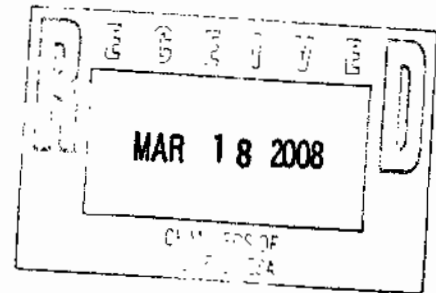
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**Via Federal Express**

Honorable Thomas P. Griesa  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street, Room 1630  
New York, New York 10007-1312



**Re: United States v. Mario S. Levis**  
**Case No. 08-CR-00181-RPP-1**

Dear Judge Griesa:

We represent Mario S. Levis, the defendant in the above-styled cause. Mr. Levis's arraignment is currently scheduled for Thursday, March 20, 2008, at 4:00 p.m. Undersigned counsel, Howard Srebnick, Esq., will be covering the arraignment. Inasmuch as Mr. Srebnick is currently in the middle of a trial and therefore has a scheduling conflict with the scheduled date, we write to respectfully request that you adjourn and reset the arraignment to **Monday, March 31, 2008, at 2:30 p.m.** We have communicated with AUSAs David Siegal and Diane Gujarati, who advise that the government has no objection to this adjournment. Moreover, your courtroom deputy has advised that this proposed date and time are available.

Because this request is being made to accommodate our schedule and to preserve Mr. Levis's continuity of counsel, the adjournment is in the interests of justice, and any resulting delay should be excluded under the Speedy Trial Act, 18 U.S.C. §3161(h)(8)(A). Thank you for your consideration of this request.

*Supervised*  
*Thomas P. Griesa*  
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Very truly yours,  
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